

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CHECKLIST

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Please Note: This checklist is for general procedures. You will also receive information from Tamwood on COVID-19 related policies and procedures in the form of an International Student Safe Travel, Arrival and Quarantine Protocol and Checklist and an International Student Quarantine Plan.

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

STEP 1

- ☐ Once you receive your Letter of Acceptance, you should apply for your Study Permit, if you are planning to study in Canada for six months or more.
If you are planning to study for less than six months, please check if you would require a Temporary Resident Visa / Electronic Travel Authorization / Tourist Visa to travel to Canada.
 - Make sure you apply early - Your application for study permit needs to be approved by the IRCC before you travel to Canada
- ☐ Make sure that you have the following original documents with you, before you travel to Canada:
 - Valid passport or travel document
 - Valid Temporary Resident Visa or Electronic Travel Authorization (if required)
 - IRCC Letter of Introduction / Study Permit Authorization / Work Permit Authorization (if applicable)
 - Your Letter of Acceptance from Tamwood
 - Proof of funds (if applicable)
- ☐ Make electronic copies of all the original documents. We recommend carrying a copy with you in addition to the original documents. Also leave a copy with your family or friends, as a measure of safety.
- ☐ Purchase medical insurance coverage. Please contact Tamwood to know more about your medical insurance options.

STEP 2

- ☐ Please read the Pre-Departure Guide from Tamwood for detailed information on the airport arrival process.
- ☐ You will also find information on how to plan your transportation from the airport in the Guide. In case you would like to book an Airport Transfer through Tamwood, please reach out to your Tamwood Representative in advance.
- ☐ Research housing options and decide whether you would like to live at a Homestay or find your own place.
- ☐ If you would like stay with a Homestay, please reach out to your Tamwood Representative in advance for assistance with Homestays.

STEP 3

- ☐ Complete the Tamwood Online Orientation before your program start date.
- ☐ In the days before your arrival, watch out for the invitation to the live orientation that takes place at the start of your program. You will also find relevant information on your first day in the Pre-Departure Guide.
- ☐ Follow us on social media for latest updates and announcements.



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ON YOUR ARRIVAL

STEP 4

- ☐ Make sure that you carefully check and review your immigration documents, such as your study permit when you receive them at the airport / border.
 - If there are any errors on the immigration documents (name, age etc.), make sure to request changes before you leave immigration services.

AFTER YOU ARRIVE

STEP 5

- ☐ Get a local Canadian phone number. You can also get a local number before you arrive through services such as PhoneBox. You can also check with Tamwood Student Services on local options once you arrive.
- ☐ Read the Pre-Departure Guide for instructions on your first day at Tamwood.
- ☐ Attend the Tamwood Live Orientation.
- ☐ Apply for your Social Insurance Number (SIN) if you are eligible and planning to work in Canada. Please note: Not all students studying Languages are eligible to obtain a SIN or work in Canada. Please ascertain your eligibility.
- ☐ If you are joining the Vancouver or Whistler Campus, and have a valid study permit for six months or more, you are required to apply for MSP (British Columbia's health-care coverage) on your arrival. Enrollment in the MSP is mandatory for all B.C. residents, unless you formally opt out. **Please connect with Tamwood Student Services for more information once you are in Vancouver or Whistler, in case you need more information.**
- ☐ Open a Bank Account, if you are in Canada for a longer duration, and need a local bank account.

STEP 6

- ☐ Maintain Tamwood's student enrollment requirements.
 - IRCC requires international students to active pursue their education while in Canada.
 - Tamwood is required by law to report on the enrollment status of international students.
 - Failure to meet the student enrollment requirements can impact your ability to stay and study Canada.
 - In case you have any questions about this, please reach out to the Student Services Coordinator on-campus.

STEP 7

- ☐ Follow us on social media to stay updated on important announcements and to get links to sign up for events and activities, if you haven't done that already.
- ☐ Mark your calendars for orientations and workshops and make sure you attend all of them.

Living in a new country is exciting and full of opportunities, but it is not always easy. If you feel like you are struggling with anything, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Campus Manager or the Student Services Team. We are here for you!